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## BRIEFS

### ▶ RICE ANTI-LITIGATING BILL CLEARS SENATE

TRENTON—State Senator Ronald L. Rice's Bill to bar litigating public places for purposes of selling controlled dangerous substances was given final approval by the Senate. The bill, S-591, aimed at halting illegal drug trafficking, would amend the New Jersey criminal code to prohibit litigating in a public place to be a disorderly persons offense. The bill now goes to the governor.

### ▶ CASE OF MISSING BOY PROMPTS CONCERN

WASHINGTON, DC—Rep. Matthew J. Rinaldo sponsored legislation that would establish a computerized national data bank under FBI control to give state law enforcement agencies immediate access to criminal files of convicted child molesters. This legislation was introduced after police met into a dead end in seeking information on the disappearance of five-year-old Timothy Wilsey at a carnival in Seville.

### ▶ CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES FUNDS OK'D

TRENTON—Legislation sponsored by Assemblyman Jackie Mattison would provide \$25.4 million to expand and renovate New Jersey correctional facilities was approved the Assembly Appropriation Committee. The measure (A-4472) goes to the full Assembly for consideration.

### ▶ ETOWAH WATER FILES FOR RATE INCREASE

WESTFIELD—Elizabethtown Water Company petitions the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities for a rate increase that would yield and increase in revenues of \$12.7 million or 15.3 percent over current revenues.

### ▶ NJN TRANSMITTER GRANT APPROVED

TRENTON—Legislation sponsored by Assemblymen Jackie Mattison and John Vitale to appropriate \$745,000 in federal funds to replace an aging transmitter used by New Jersey Network was approved by the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill now goes to the full Assembly for consideration.

### ▶ REPORT ENDORSES EMPLOYER SANCTIONS

WASHINGTON, DC—The Presidential report, "The Second Report on the Implementation and Impact of Employer Sanctions," strongly endorsed employer sanctions. It declared that sanctions decrease illegal immigration; benefit U.S. Workers; decrease labor exploitation and decrease visa-overstay violations.

## Bradley urges Bush—dump phony 'quota' racist appeals

by Chester A. Higgins, Sr.

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA)—Declaring that "racial tension is too dangerous too exploit and too impervious to ignore," Sen. Bill Bradley (D-NJ), challenged President Bush to drop the racially divisive "quota" and "Willie Horton" voter appeals and instead, use presidential leadership to bring blacks and whites together.

He offered a four-point program that, with Bush's leadership, can bring Americans together again, he said.

Bradley, the 48-year-old Rhodes scholar and former professional basketball star, was one of the first Senate Democratic leaders to end his silence on the explosive issue of racial politics that has been so cleverly and cruelly exploited by the Republicans in recent years. (Since Bradley has spoken out, Sens. Tom Harkin (D-IA), and Jay Rockefeller (D-WV) have also condemned Bush's use of veiled racism).

GOP use of the racist ploy dates to Ronald Reagan's 1980's use of the "welfare queen," the 1988 Bush presidential campaign with its shameful use of the "Willie Horton" advertising (Horton was the black convict who committed a capital crime while on furlough), to the Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) ad utilized in the tight 1990 Senatorial race with Black Democrat Harvey Gantt, showing white hands crumpling a job rejection letter because of "quotas." On the strength of this ad, Helms won the nip-and-tuck race.

This usage also includes President Bush's vetoing of the 1990 Civil Rights Bill as a "quota" bill and his present stubborn opposition to the 1991 Civil Rights Restoration Act, again, a "quota" bill, a stance that seasoned observers believe is a harbinger of how the 1991 GOP presidential campaign will be conducted.

Bradley first challenged Bush

on July 10, in an "open letter" from the Senate floor speech. He followed it up with a searing speech from the heart at the National Press Club on July 16.

Said he: "What compels me to speak is the state of race relations in America which every day exacts terrible costs on whites, on blacks, on all races, and on the nation. The Willie Horton ad was an attempt to demonize blacks,

Ronald Reagan's welfare queen distorts reality. George Bush's racist-murderer (Horton) panders to those in the electorate who can't see the individual for his color."

Bradley, who at one time was considered presidential timber, and may yet toss his hat into the ring, recounted his birth and upbringing in Crystal City, Mo., a small town of 3,492, tucked be-

tween two limestone bluffs on the banks of the Mississippi River. He attended school in that multi-ethnic, multi-racial community, the high school class "integrating in the 9th grade." But his greatest sense of the oneness of humanity came in the 10-years he played professionally with the New York Yankees. (Continued on page 2)

## More than just a safe place



Betty Flood, a telecommunication assistant at Public Service Electric and Gas Company, gives more than 250 children a safe place to go after school: a recreational game room for the children who live at The Garden Spire housing complex on First Street in Newark, New Jersey.

## Vernon Jordan becomes number one in law firm

by Chester A. Higgins, Sr.

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA)—With Senior Partner Robert Strauss poised to move to Moscow as United States Ambassador to Russia, Vernon Jordan "who," according to the Wall Street Journal, "the Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer, and Field partner next to Mr. Strauss has the highest public profile," is set to assume a larger management role in the huge, 400-lawyer Washington, D.C. firm.

Although the Senate has yet to vote on Strauss' nomination, the gregarious, well-liked and well-connected Texan, a former National Democratic Committee (Continued on page 10)

## UCC kicks off its 'New Beginning' solidifying commitment to Plainfield

by Stacey Peterson



Mary Gladden, Chairman of the Plainfield/Western Sector Advisory Council of Union County College, Union County Freeholder Gerald Green, Plainfield Mayor Harold Mitchell, UCC President Dr. Thomas H. Brown, Freeholder Chairman James Connelly Walsh, and UCC Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Frank H. Blatz, Jr., stand before the college's new sign to be placed in front of UCC's Plainfield campus.

PLAINFIELD — Local and college officials ushered in Union County College's "New Beginning" Thursday afternoon during a ground breaking ceremony for Plainfield's campus which is to be totally renovated over the next year.

UCC President Dr. Thomas H. Brown, promised that the \$2.6 million renovation project will raise the status of the campus from its present moniker of "site" to "branch," putting it on par with the Elizabeth and Scotch Plains campuses.

He said that these are not empty words but a "beginning with an end," as well as a genuine commitment from the college to the city.

Dr. Brown was joined by Frank H. Blatz, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Plainfield Mayor Harold Mitchell, Freeholder Chairman James Connelly Walsh, Freeholder Gerald Green, and Mary Gladden, Chairman of the Plainfield/Western Sector Advisory Council, in expressing their thanks and joy as the college moves towards another level of education.

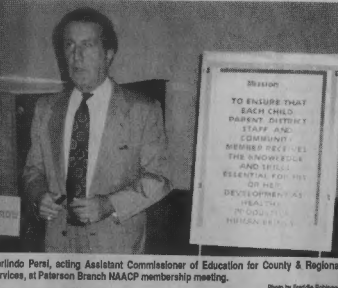
Blatz, in his welcoming comments said he and UCC officials have high hopes for the campus and believe its growth and success will strengthen the coalition between Plainfield, UCC, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, and the state Department of Education.

"It shows the depth of our commitment to make sure the

## Paterson NAACP group meets state officials

by Freddie Robinson

PATERSON—At another in a series of recent public meetings with Paterson parents and interested residents Melindo Persi, acting Assistant Commissioner of Education for County and Regional Services, appeared last Thursday at a meeting held at the office of the Paterson Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).



Melindo Persi, acting Assistant Commissioner of Education for County & Regional Services, at Paterson Branch NAACP membership meeting.

Photo by Freddie Robinson

"We need your help," Persi said repeatedly to an audience of 50 or more, who were, in contrast to reportedly earlier meetings, were mostly receptive and attentive to his appeal for community input. "We want to improve the quality of education in Paterson," he boldly

Last April a state Comprehensive Compliance Investigation report conclusively documented a 15-year failure of the district to provide a "thorough" and "adequate" education for its 22,300 students. The report also slammed

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by Sharon Khadijah Vincent

## Let's get back to basics to achieve academic excellence

If you are rushing around trying to go to every department store in an attempt to catch their ongoing "back-to-school sale" gimmicks, you probably need to slow down and think about what kind of signals and messages you are relaying to your children.

Before you go out and spend your hard earned money on the latest fashion trends, you need to have a serious discussion with your children about what you expect them to do in school this year. You should review their experiences from the previous school year. What grades did they

receive in each academic area? How can they work on making improvements? You should share with them your expectations, and make sure they fully understand what they are.

Your child should be encouraged to develop a set of goals for him- or herself that they would like to achieve during this upcoming school year. The goals should encompass their academic pursuits, as well as personal growth and development. It might even be good for them to write out these goals and place them somewhere in their room where they can constantly see them.

It's important to use these next few weeks before the start of

school, getting them focused on improving work habits and study skills. They should be finishing any summer projects or reading assignments which they were given to do over the summer. You need to ask to see the work, so that you won't get to the night before school starts with your child running around the house at the last minute trying to finish their assignments.

Reviewing skills which were supposed to have been mastered during the previous school year is extremely important. When a student enters a class that is at a

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## Reinvestments in the Community

# Philda Ragland-Njau Back to Africa and Back Again



By Stacey Peterson

PLAINFIELD — American youngsters are a bit in the dark about the dark continent. So discovered American-born, African resident Philda Ragland-Njau as she addressed close to 100 teens Wednesday at Masson Middle School.

Mrs. Ragland-Njau, the first black female photographer to be sent on overseas assignments by the United Presbyterian Church, was besieged with questions about Nike sneakers, Levi jeans, and bare feet.

Several of the 12-to-18-year-olds believed that Africans did not wear shoes, women did not wear bras, and most of the land were her-

ren and jungle-like, reminiscent of a Tarzan movie. But Mrs. Ragland-Njau explained that everything found in America could be found in Africa from Pepsi Cola to Air Jordan sneakers.

She spent the better part of an hour answering various questions and talking about her life in Nairobi, Kenya giving the youths a chance to learn that Africans resemble Americans a lot.

Born in Plainfield, Mrs. Ragland-Njau got her start in photography when she was hired as a photo librarian for the United Presbyterian Church and photographer Fred Haines taught her the particulars of using a camera. As she progressed, her boss became so impressed that he sent her to Latin America for her first overseas assignment. The success of that assignment led to others and in 1970, the state of New Jersey named her one of its Outstanding Young Women of America.

She has been living in Nairobi since 1970 when on her final assignment to East Africa, she met her husband, Elmo Njau, an East African mural painter. He invited her to join the East African International Arts Program, which sponsored two art centers, one in Tanzania and the other at the PanAfric Art Gallery, in Nairobi.

As an African American now

living in Africa, Mrs. Ragland-Njau said that she sees and feels the tie between blacks in the United States and blacks in Africa.

"You find that there are similar customs and ideas but you have to experience them day-by-day," she said.

She said she was pleased to come and speak to the children who are part of the week-long Cardinal Basketball Camp. She said they remind her of her own children who are aged 13, 14, and 16.

Surprised a bit by the youngsters' lack of knowledge of Africa, she said she feels it is important for blacks in America to learn things about the "mother continent."

She suggested more positive stories about Africa as one way. Even though it is important to learn about the famine, drought, and other problems the continent is faced with, it is also significant for people to see the positive things that go on, she said.

It may also help the learning process if African-American youths can see and communicate what their counterparts in Africa.

"It's something to see how those old myths of Africa have held so much over time," she said pointing out that some people do not want to learn too much about Africa because it has always been shrouded in mystery and some are not anxious to let it go.

"Reinvestments in the Community" is a weekly column appearing in API publications throughout the USA.

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## Coping

by  
**Dr. Charles W. Faulkner**

## Are black films good or bad?

WASHINGTON, D.C. (UPI)—Spoke

Lee, Robert Townsend, John Singleton, Charles Lane, Bill Duke — the names of young black film directors go on and on. The powerful impact of their films goes on and on, also. Unfortunately, the impact upon the black psyche and black behavior has been mostly negative.

As new directors, they have generally produced films about the brutal reality of life in the ghetto, on the street. The violence that many of the characters in the films carry out is foreign to most whites and blacks, alike. Few people have seen a person get gunned down — except in the movies or on TV.

The problem is that these movies about the black community are a representation of but a small portion of the actual communities in which blacks live. Yet, these depictions are accepted as the behavior of most young black males. Many whites, who have a propensity for stereotyping blacks, tend to think that every black male, young or old, is either straight out of Brooklyn, or one of the Boys in the Hood.

Filmmakers, black and white, make movies depicting violence because of the great appeal that violence has to the movie-going public. For white film makers, this presentation of violence is only a small part of the total of the films that they make. They are seldom accused of initiating or instigating violence in the people who view their movies. For black filmmakers, however, it is a dif-

ferent story.

The public already has an idea, a pre-supposition, about the behavior of young blacks (males, especially). The preconception is, of course, negative in that blacks are already considered to be only partially civilized. Violence is simply a part of what is considered to be their "natural" behavior. The films made by most black film makers simply confirm this prejudiced characterization of blacks.

Now, here's the kicker. While violent black films confirm the negative preconceptions about blacks, a large number of films which depict blacks in a positive light might change the general stereotyping of blacks from negative to positive.

The problem is that investors would not support black film makers who want to produce films about nice black people doing nice things because, as much as we might like this idea, few people would pay to see a film that does not present violence or controversy. Black people would starve if they stayed away from controversy.

Many whites view violent black films as their secret once-in-a-lifetime look at the hidden black way-of-life. Many blacks utilize these films as a lesson in how to release the life-long pent-up frustrations. They find out how a really-raw tough black should behave. This is one cause of film associated violence and is the major negative impact of films directed by black film makers.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Edwards of Newark. For more information, call (201) 483-8202.

**BRIDGEWATER** — The Somerset County Fair will be held through August 16 at North Branch Park, Milltown Road between Rtes. 202 and 22, West of Somerville. Free admission. For more information, call (609) 552-6644.

**NEWARK** — Board of Adjustment Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Council Chamber, 920 Broad St.

**NORTH BRANCH** — Planetarium "The Magic Sky" at 3:30-minute star show for ages 4-5 will begin at 2 p.m., every Monday and Wednesday in August at the Raritan Valley Community College. For more information, call (908) 231-8805.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

**NORTH BRANCH** — In-person registration begins for the Fall semester at Raritan Valley Community College through August 20. For more information, contact the Registrar's Office at (908) 218-8852.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

**JERSEY CITY** — The Black Community News Service and Community Awareness Series of the Jersey City Public Library will present A Tribute to George & Jonathan Jackson from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at the Miller Branch Library, 489 Bergen Ave. For more information, call (201) 432-0874.

**NEWARK** — "Blueberries and Blues" will be served at the House of Prayer Episcopal Church, 407 Broad St., next to Route 280. The "blues" will be provided by Ernie

Edwards of Newark. For more information, call (201) 483-8202.

**PLAINFIELD** — Chicken and barbecue sponsored by Rose of Sharon Community Church, every Saturday. For orders or delivery, call Mrs. Jean Roach, (908) 551-5594 or Mrs. Janice Johnson (908) 753-2455.

**SCOTTS PLAINS** — Jiffy Lube, 4225 Tech Road is sponsoring a 12 hour "Lube-A-Thon" to benefit the Association for Retarded Children. For more information, call (908) 754-2323.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The World of Cards and Comics Convention will be held at the Holiday Inn, 4701 Shelton Road from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Admission \$1.50 for all. For table information, contact Tony at (908) 968-3886.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 19

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — Deadline for application to the 1992 Miss New Jersey Pageant will be staged at the Tannery Festival in the Poconos beginning September 27-29. For more information, call (908) 238-1180.

**NEWARK** — Board of Alcohol Beverage Control Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 311 Garden State, City Hall Annex, Room 102. For more information, call (201) 733-6445.

**WAYNE** — The Friends of the Gallery/Artist's Network at William Paterson College will present the works of eight WPC alumni artists in a Summer Invitational Show at the College's Ben Shahn Galleries through September 10. For more information, call (201) 555-2564.

## You can't lose, join the raffle!

The Union County College Alumni Association, in cooperation with the college's Plainfield Center Advisory Council, is sponsoring a Scholarship Raffle. Prizes are as follows: 1st prize, a 1991 Ford Taurus; 2nd prize, two round-trip airline tickets to Los Angeles, California; 3rd prize, \$500.00 cash. The drawing date will be September 14, 1991. For ticket information, call CITY NEWS 908-754-3400 or Union County College 908-709-7505. Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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## Bill Bradley on racism

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Knicks — sleeping, eating, playing, living with black teammate stars Willis Reed, Dick Barnett, Elvin Hayes, Earl (the Pearl) Monroe. "We created the first basketball team to capture the imagination of a national TV audience and we won the hearts of New Jersey and New York. It was an extraordinary group of human beings," he said.

"I wish I had \$100 for every time someone — usually a white person — asked me what it was like to live with the Knicks and travel with my teammates, (meaning with the blacks). 'Listen,' I'd say, 'traveling with my teammates on the road in America was one of the most enlightening experiences of my life.' He, thus said he wanted all Americans to enjoy that experience."

Bradley's four-point proposal requiring President Bush's leadership that could solve problems of race and poverty in America says:

- (1) remove remaining legal barriers to equality of opportunity;
- (2) restore and revitalize a healthy, growing economy for all Americans;
- (3) replace the politics of violence with the politics of public safety and intervene directly and massively against poverty, drugs and violence;
- (4) most importantly, begin an honest dialogue about race in America by clearing away the policy issues that can never bring people together.

"I ask President Bush to promise never again to use race in a way that divides us. Communicating in code words and symbols to deliver the old shameful message should cease. Race-baiting should be banished from our politics," Bradley said.

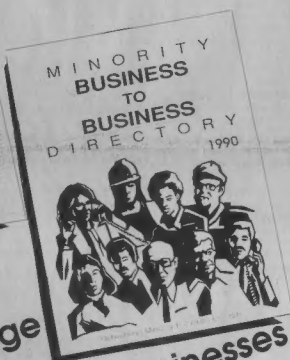
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# OPINION

## EDITORIAL

### Education "the beginning"

Union County College announced to the community the renovation of its Plainfield center and the expansion of the center into a full fledged branch campus. The announcement signals a significant step for the county college to meet the educational program for which it is known, accessible to population centers in Elizabeth, in the Eastern sector of the county, and Plainfield, in the Western sector of the county. The desire of the college to create branch campuses in areas that are accessible by public transportation and which constitute a larger number of minority and lower income residents is an intelligent strategic move since these centers are projected to have a larger share of the college-going population in the years to come. Union County College President Dr. Thomas Brown, UCC Board of Governors and Board of Trustees and Union County Freeholders deserve congratulations for their courage and foresight. Economic development in the county depends heavily on the quality of the workforce. UCC's new presence in the urban centers has the potential to significantly impact upon workforce quality.

Dr. Brown called the project a "New Beginning with an end." A "new beginning" because Union College and UCC have had an historical presence in Plainfield and Elizabeth. There is an end to the new beginning with the completion of the facility which will indicate a clear presence in the urban centers. But, Plainfield's "New Beginning" is also a "new beginning" for the college itself, its relationship with the city of Plainfield, and the people it will serve. The "end" ultimately will be better educated and prepared residents of Union County in general and urban centers specifically.

During the ceremony last Thursday, several school and local officials pointed out the importance of committing to and educating residents of urban centers. Yes, it is important, not just for Union County, but for the state of New Jersey, and the entire nation. All Americans need to know that if they want an education it is accessible to them. With the institution of public education in disarray and under attack, the cost of attending college going through the roof, and a high school diploma just not cutting it anymore, the education and services provided by community colleges are more vital now than ever.

Buildings, however, do not a college make! UCC's success will be based on the desire and commitment of residents of the county to seek a first class education at a reasonable price in their own backyard. Accessibility should help residents see that students come in all shapes, sizes, races, and ages. They will have a chance to be closer to scholarship and the local success stories. They will see the positive results that come from knowledge and see how a person can grow because of what they know. They also will see that it is never too late. If you are 22 or 23, if you are single and have no children, you have very little free time, it does not matter. Union County College is there for you if you have the courage to reach for "the education that is really just the beginning."

### Child watch...

## Stand up for the 'Boyz'

by Marion Wright Edelman

Statistics reveal how many African-American young men are in serious trouble. Every nine hours a Black youth (15-19) is murdered. Every five hours a Black young adult (20-24) is murdered. A Black boy has a 1 in 24 chance of being imprisoned while in his 20's.

The film "Boyz n the Hood" brings these facts home with stunning force. Our sons, brothers, husbands, and fathers are struggling everyday to survive and succeed against tremendous odds.

John Singleton, the 23-year-old director, shares the lack of childhood of thousands of Black youngsters growing up amidst gang violence, crime and poverty. It's happening in every urban center across America. Singleton's own childhood experience inspired him to produce it on film, depicting his difficult upbringing in South Central Los

Angeles. He pursued his dream of writing and directing by attending the University of Southern California's Film Writing Program and excelled.

Not every child who dreams of becoming a filmmaker achieves that dream, of course. But every child can be put on a productive path with a little help from adults and with caring rather than indifferent families and communities.

In the Black community, we can start by strengthening our families. The movie character, "Tre," has parents, although separated, who do all they can to keep him straight. Not every family has such a strong male or parental influence, but caring neighbors and extended family and community support from groups like the Concerned Black Men can put more of our children on the right track. Growing up in the segregated South, children had compassion-

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by Connie Woodruff

When he was growing up in Newark, nobody promised Council President Donald Tucker a rose garden, but nevertheless that's exactly what he got this week when he attended ceremonies in the rose garden of the White House to receive one of the 10 most livable city awards for Newark.

Next week it will be time again to sing "Happy Birthday" to Councilman-at-large Ralph Grant. Wonder what kind of "surprise" wife, Gwen, will have for him this year.

It's now official: Denise Taylor of Newark, daughter of Newark Housing Authority administrator, Dorothea Lee, is the youngest woman to be elected to a national office of the National Assn. of Negro Business and Pro-

fessional Women's Clubs, Inc. (BNPW). Denise ran as an uncontested candidate for Second Vice President, thus making an easy transition from National Youth Club proxy to the BNPW adult ranks.

Denise was graduated from Hampton University in May and shortly thereafter landed a job with NYNEX but for months she had combined final exams and then a busy work schedule with campaigning for a position that is sure to land her one of the Who's Who.

Leonard S. Coleman, vice president of Kiddie Peabody Co. and Barbara Wright Bell, director of the Newark Boys and Girls Clubs are new members of the Red Cross and Blue Shield of N.J. board of directors.

The Boys and Girls Clubs are also on the board of a private partnership that will build a new theatre complex in Newark's Central Ward.

## Let's get back to basics

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higher level than he or she was enrolled in during the last semester, the teacher will expect that the student is prepared to work on mastering new skills. While there will be some basic review work during the first couple of days in school, it would be to your child's advantage to try their review work now. Areas that they may have had some problems with should, of course, be extensively reviewed.

I raise these issues up now, because if your discussion with your children just centers around buying them new clothes, so they will be in fashion when they start school, then you are heading towards big trouble. Their minds will be on looking good, but it won't be on their academic success. Whose wearing what outfit

becomes more important than who will be on the honor roll this school year. Their attention will be diverted away from the most important reasons why they are in school: to increase their knowledge and skills.

Now, I'm not saying not to go out and buy new clothes for your children—but, make sure that this isn't the only priority that is on either you or your children's agenda. It will be up to parents to combat the advertising campaigns that are designed to keep you running around, chasing supposedly one bargain after another. By the time you finish all of the clothes shopping, you'll find you pocket a lot lighter, and yet, little has been spent on those items students will need in class. And this is just the way the advertising agencies want it.

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The rumors of feudin' and fightin' among blacks (Democrats and Republicans) has some people nervous and upset they could become the victims of the old divide and conquer tactic.

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There appears to be enough power, prestige and goodies around for everybody to get a piece of the action, so is greed making it ugly head? Whatever the reason elected officials owe their first allegiance to the voters who put them in office not to their selfish desires.

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There are also complaints from some of the grassroots people they are not being treated courteously and respectfully by their black leaders who seem to resent complainers who want them to be accountable.

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If black elected officials aren't accountable to us who will be? In a majority of the political races blacks run in nearly all-black dis-

tricts and if they run at large for a county or state office, they make it by garnering 90 plus percent of the existing black vote in states like New Jersey, Virginia and Connecticut. So what's the big deal about being polite to the people who make you possible?

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Where did Warren Smith go when he left England? He went with a prestigious law firm, that's where.

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At long last the state has stepped in and taken over the Paterson school system and not a minute too soon...For some unexplained reason state authorities seem to be reluctant to bring pressure to bear on anything dealing with minorities...Most minority parents want their children to get a good basic education despite arguments to the contrary.

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Working parents in particular would prefer their kids being in (Continued on page 7)

You might want to reconsider what will you purchase for your children? If the child received failing grades last year, what were the reasons? If lack of effort, and laziness were the major factors, what are you going to do about it? Should the child be given new clothes, shoes, sneakers etc. to start the school year? Only you can answer this, but, you need to sit down with your child and discuss it.

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You can start the new school year off on a positive note, if you begin to put your words into action. Don't keep rewarding failing grades and bad attitudes with more material possessions. It destroys the integrity and work ethic of the child. Then, when you wonder how come there isn't any improvement, you conveniently overlook the role you may have

played in reinforcing negative habits. You must take responsible action, and thereby expect for your child to show you he or she wants to do better.

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If you put \$100.00 clothes on your child's back, you should expect a 100% performance. There are a lot of people out here who "look good" but have nothing on their minds. Do you want your child to be one of them? If not, now is the time to start redirecting your own thinking and behavior. Dare to put your foot down, and ask your child for a commitment to academic excellence. They should know, that just as you go out to work everyday in order to earn money to provide them with food, clothing and shelter; their job is to do well in school, and put forth their best efforts.

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# YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

## Cowa Bunga, Dudes! Ninja Turtles fight measles

NEWARK—The City of Newark's Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) today announced it is enlisting the services of Michelangelo of the "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," a green, adolescent reptile and martial arts expert, in its public awareness campaign to promote free measles shots for Newark youngsters.

Through a promotion concept conceived by the health division and Gannett Outdoor Advertising staff artists, the cartoon character will adorn Gannett billboards in Newark, HHS officials said. The goal of the campaign is to promote city-wide immunization and make the measles shots available to all Newark children age six months through five years.

Claude Wallace, manager of the division of community health, said the billboard displays will start the second week in August and run for about three months. The Ninja Turtles displays will coincide with the start of the school year in September. Three of the displays will be in Spanish.

The hero-in-a-half-shell should be a "positive way to make children and parents more aware of the serious need for immunization against diseases," he said.

Mayor Sharpe Jr. added, praising the health department for its creativity in fighting measles and other diseases. "The epidemic is very serious because measles can lead to other damaging illnesses and lasting effects," he said.



for their imaginative approach in battling this health crisis."

Bobbi Ruffin, HHS acting director, concurred: "The use of the character from the animated series and movies is a positive way to aid the department's public awareness campaign in its effort to get more Newark youngsters inoculated."

In addition to Michelangelo, the campaign also includes radio announcements, extended clinic hours, the establishment of three satellite immunization clinics, flyers, posters, billboards on New Jersey Transit buses and other measures.

For more information about the free measles shots campaign and child immunization program, please contact Wallace at the Newark Health Department, 110 William Street (201-733-7590).

## NCSA Fall registration underway

NEWARK—The Newark Community School of the Arts (NCSA) announces that registration for their '91-92 Program has begun. Interested students or their parents should contact Doris Fajardo in the NCSA office at 201-642-0133 before Monday, September 16, 1991.

NCSA students are primarily children from the city of Newark, and from over 50 municipalities in the MetroNewark area. However, a good percentage of adults and even senior citizens can be found on the school roster.

The NCSA '91-92 Program offers study in Dance, Drama, Visual Arts, Music. It serves the beginner through the advanced student with special attention at individualized levels.

Dance students are offered instruction in Ballet, Jazz, Tap, and Acrobatics. The Drama course focuses on voice, improvisation, acting terminology, scene development and more. Visual Arts students will be taught all modes of drawing and painting. Music classes include lessons in guitar, voice (including Solfege instruction), piano, and a wide variety of other instruments. There is also ensemble participation for instrumentalists, and lessons in music theory.

The annual cost for the NCSA Programs range from \$72 for ensemble, to \$468 for applied lessons in guitar, voice, and piano. Instruction is by members of the NCSA faculty, who come from nearly every continent of the globe and hold degrees from such prestigious schools as Juilliard, Moscow Conservatory, Manhattan School of Music, and many others.

Courses are scheduled from Mondays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition to the Davis Hall facility located at the NCSA facility in Newark, the Stella Sella Theatre at 186 Clinton Avenue is also utilized.

The Newark Community School of the Arts is located at 89 Lincoln Park in Newark. It is a community-based, non-profit organization committed to bringing creative and performing arts to people of all ages. Through instruction, performance, and participation, the school endeavors to enhance the lives of individuals, families, and the community. The School was founded in 1968. In 1990, it was awarded the "Excellence Award" of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

## Jiffy Lube sends kids to camp



100 inner-city Newark children spent a week at The Salvation Army's Camp Tecumseh, Major George Evans, Newark City Coordinator for The Salvation Army is seen shaking hands with Roger Crosby, President of Suburban Lubrication, a Northern NJ Jiffy Lube franchise at the balloon launch, at The Salvation Army Newark West Side Group Community Center, celebrating the campers departure. Thirty-one Jiffy Lube vans from across the state are sending children from their neighborhoods to The Salvation Army's camp this summer.

## CAN'T TOUCH THIS Larry Larr: Dancin' with the Homeboys

by Terry Benjamin

17-year-old Larry Larr (Larry Hill) is a product of Philadelphia's growing rap community, a series that has produced DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince, Steady N, Schoolly D, Ice Cream Toe, and Three Times Dop. His first group, The Wizzards, included EST who left to form Three Times Dop. On "Da Wizzard of Odds," Larry Larr's debut album, Chuck Nice of Three Times Dop is executive producer. Keeping it all in the family, EST also appears on "My Ace, My Pal, My Partner." But the light hearted rap style of Larry Larr is what is prominent on this new LP.

Bringing and boasting is the dominant flavor on "Line 2 Line" Rhyme 4 Rhyme, "Jazz It Up," "Keep On Ya'll," "My Own Style," and "Neighborhood Prospect." These cuts are great dance jams with biographical elements, giving listeners an idea where this he is coming from and where he is going.

Something a little different can be found on "My Ace, My Pal, My Partner" that features

Well, it's about time that I went for mine  
With the bassline making me swift with the rhyme

The L-A-R-R-Y back and ready to jam  
So guys grab a girl and girls grab a man  
Cause once I get finished, baby, rockin' this  
You'll be looking for somebody to dance with

### Larry, That's What They Call Me Larry Larr

rapping from Kwame and EST. This rap symphony is rougher than anything on this album with its unnecessary profanity from Kwame and EST. Fortunately Larry Larr gets back to his lighter style on "Larry, That's What They Call Me" and "You Know What I'm Sayin'" where he raps: "So let me flow as I flow solo/Off a funky beat that's smooth and mellow/The pace is bumpin' music jumpin'/You want more? Well, here's a little somethin'."

Also on the fun tip is "Lampin'," a track that introduces a new word into the rap lexicon. Cooling out on this track is Larry

Larr and his DJ Mad Ice. On this track Mad Ice gets on the make and raps: "I wanna flow so low on my funky style/lazing up a tip will make the girls go wild/Down to rap for all those people/Treat me right and I'ma treat ya equal." Mad Ice flows effectively and Larry Larr raps it all up: "So all take it light and live a good life/Don't drink and drive, sell drugs or fight/Peace to everybody trying to do what's right/We outta here and to all a good night."

Showing versatility Larry Larr offers "Confused," a rap/narrative about a love triangle, featuring singing by Stephanie Mar-

After making his recording debut on "10 Little Sucker MC's" and "Make Ya S" on Three Times Dop's latest album, "Live From Acknickulous Land," Larry Larr is out to make a name for himself on "Da Wizzard of Odds," a light hearted LP with inventive rapping and danceable tracks.

group. Caught in the middle of this three-way love affair, Larry Larr raps: "I know I'm not rich and have what's be's go/But I can not be pretending I'm something I'm not/Can't buy you diamonds and all that junk but I can tell you I love you if that's what you want."

Another rap story is the street wise "Donna," that tells the story of a young prostitute on crack. On a more upbeat and humorous note is "Da Wizzard of Odds," a retelling of the classic Wizzard Of Oz but this time Dorothy and Toto are accompanied by two DJs. Putting a new slant on things Larry Larr sums it up this way: "Dorothy tapped her Gucci sneakers three times and she got home chill/The wicked witch collided with a 747 jet and busted her grill."

## Cosbys establish scholarship program

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA)—Bill and Camille Cosby are delighted to announce the selection of the inaugural class of District of Columbia Cosby Scholars Program recipients.

The recipients include: two students from Ballou Senior High School, Angela Pruitt and Donald Tootley; and two students from Woodson Senior High School, Romal Huggins and Alay Williams. The students were awarded full scholarships to attend

tend an historically black institution of their choice.

One young man and one young woman from each high school were designated for the scholarships, which include full tuition and room and board. As Cosby Scholars, the students must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 during their first two years, and a GPA of 3.5 during junior and senior years to maintain their scholarships.

The D.C. Cosby Scholars

Program is part of the national campaign that Mr. and Mrs. Cosby began several years ago in an effort to provide educational support for individuals and institutions around the nation. Recently, three students from Montgomery High School in Montgomery, Ala. received awards from the Cosby Scholars Program. The Cosbys have also established scholarship programs at universities such as Shaw University in North Carolina,

Howard University in Washington, D.C., Temple University in Pennsylvania, Florida A&M University, and others. Providing financial assistance for Washington residents is particularly important on a personal level to Mrs. Cosby, who is a native Washingtonian.

Mrs. Cosby says, "Economics do not dictate a level of intelligence. However, economics do dictate opportunity. Bill and I want to provide opportunities for these young people to excel."

## KID'S KALENDAR

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

**PLAINFIELD** — Children's Films, a "Strange Story of a Frog Who Became a Prince," "A Boy, A Dog, and A Frog," and "Frog Went A' Courtin'." A Door Prize Drawing at the Plainfield Public Library, 8th Street at Park Ave. from 10:00-12:00 Noon. For more information, call (908) 757-1111.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

**PLAINFIELD** — Toddler storytime, ages 1-3 years at the Plainfield Public Library, 8th Street at Park Ave. from 10:00-10:30 a.m. For more information, call (908) 757-1111.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

**PLAINFIELD** — Black Gold African Kulture Arts Center presents A Children's Conference/Festival, featuring relay races, obstacle courses music, poetry and refreshments will be held at Rushmore Field, West 3rd St. from 9-8 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

**PLAINFIELD** — Children's storytime 4-5 p.m. "Create a Magic Disk Thaumatrope" at the Plainfield Public Library, 8th Street at Park Ave. at 11:00 a.m. For more information, call (908) 757-1111.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

**PLAINFIELD** — Children's film program "The Red Balloon" at the Plainfield Public Library, 8th Street at Park Ave. at 11:00 a.m. For more information, call (908) 757-1111.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

**PLAINFIELD** — Third Annual Waltons We Alaska Youth Festival at Plainfield Public Library Park on College Place from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Peace in the community, now or never. Rides, celebrities, vendors and more. For information call 906-754-9388.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

**CRAWFORD** — "Astronomy for Kids," for children 8-12 years old thru October 19 at 10:30-11:30 a.m. For more information, call (908) 709-7601.

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## VIEW FROM

## HHS

by  
Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.



Ten years after we learned about AIDS, for which there still is no cure and no preventive vaccine, the disease poses a major health threat to black and other minority communities.

Consider this sobering outlook: By the end of 1993, more than 125,000 black Americans, about one in every 250, will have been diagnosed with AIDS. Then most of us will have someone with AIDS in our circle of family or acquaintances.

That alarming but conservative estimate assumes that blacks, just 12 percent of the U.S. population but a disproportionate 28 percent of the nation's reported AIDS cases (\$1,190 of 179,136 in May), will start reducing this epidemic in black communities. But today, the problem is growing — particularly among black children, children and teenagers — and blacks represent a staggering 52 percent of all newly diagnosed AIDS cases. Nearly 40 percent of AIDS cases in black communities have resulted in one way or another from abuse of illegal drugs.

Cold numbers don't reflect the true impact AIDS is having on the black family and our community. The very loss of contributions from talented individuals, the orphaned children and the strain on an already overburdened health care system.

The federal government must help turn the tide in this battle. Toward that end, under my leadership the Public Health Service is increasing its participation of blacks and other minorities in the 1991 AIDS research effort, budgeted at \$1.3 billion, and targeting more of the \$524 million AIDS education campaign directly to these groups.

In FY '92, Medicaid (federal share) and Medicare coverage plus Social Security assistance payments to people with AIDS will run about \$1.79 billion. Government-wide FY '92 spending on AIDS-related activities will hit \$4.3 billion.

At the community level, we must recognize that AIDS is not someone else's problem. We have to talk more about it in our families, our schools, and our churches.

We must translate the AIDS messages about the dangers of drugs and needle-sharing and unprotected sex into language that will be clear, direct, and convincing to our people. No one should be misled. At this point, preventing AIDS is the only way to survive the disease.

We need to motivate all those who have engaged in high-risk behavior such as substance abuse and unprotected sex, to seek counseling and get tested. Facing up to being infected with the AIDS virus is a crucial step in taking care of one's self and preventing further spread of the virus. Drugs such as AZT can prolong life and enhance its quality.

AIDS does not discriminate. This is no time to point fingers and cast stones. It's time to join together to wage a battle we must win, a time for compassion for those who are sick and dying — including those young and old who are homeless or have been abandoned by family and friends.

I urge you to learn more from your local AIDS organization, or call our federal hotline: 1-800-342-AIDS.

Dr. Sullivan is U.S. secretary of health and human services.

## OAU condemns the lifting of sanctions

by Daniel Maroien

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NNPA)—In its July 11 press release, the Organization of African Unity condemned President George Bush's lifting of American economic sanctions against South Africa.

The full text of the statement of General Ibrahim Babangida, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, and the current Chairman of the OAU said, inter alia, "I have received news of the announcement by President Bush ending sanctions against South Africa. That announcement ends four years of Congressional insistence that we have dealings with an oppressive and unequal system. It also undermines a shining period of American-African policy which doggedly represented all that is good in historical and constitutional American abhorrence of man's inhumanity to man. In the light of that, the announcement by the U.S. President is most unwelcome development."

"During the past year of unprecedented reforms...OAU has unforgivably acknowledged the courage of the South African President. But South Africa remains a deeply oppressed, unequal and divisive political system."

The latest turn in U.S. policy now places an awesome onus on the U.S. government for the possible hardening of positions in the delicate contacts between the ANC and the South African regime...caused by this announcement of complacency...It is decidedly a gigantic setback for the democratic movement to be thwarted at the eleventh hour.

"Africa cannot afford the luxury of dropping its guard at this time."

"Specifically, even the so-called color apartheid laws which have been supposedly repealed still leave many dangerous loopholes. Important aspects of the Population Registration Act is still left intact, pending the drafting of a new constitution. The requirement of negotiations in good faith has not yet been satisfied. Most importantly, the question of the release of political prisoners remains an unresolved issue which raises the question: To what extent has the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act of Congress been satisfied?"

The press release went on to welcome the recognition implicit in President Bush's commitment to increasing U.S. financial assistance to black South African organizations. Furthermore, the press release called for the U.S. government and other governments to recognize that the struggle against apartheid cannot be said to be truly won until legal reforms are promulgated to issue into a firm and equal constitution for all South Africans, regardless of race or color.

## Jaycees hold car wash

The Plainfield Jaycees will be holding a Car Wash/Bake Sale on Saturday, August 17, 1991 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Plainfield High School parking lot located on Park Avenue in Plainfield. Tickets are being sold for \$4 in advance per car and \$5 on-site (Vans and trucks negotiable). Rain date will be Sunday, August 18, 1991. For information call or write to: Jeanne DesPlantes at (908) 754-2758.

School and we will still be in Plainfield," Dr. Brown said. "Union County College is your community college and we're here for you and you will see it today."

UCC's Plainfield unit began with only a small offering of classes at a Front Street facility in 1970. Leaving the city for 10 years in 1976, it returned in 1986 to its present locale, the former home of the Courier-News.

The project is being seen as a major step towards solidifying the college's commitment to an inner city. Initially focusing on the suburban localities of Cranford and

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Finally, the press release said, "The lifting of sanctions by the United States government provides a strong incentive for a slow-down in the reform process."

"The Organization of African Unity concluded its press release by calling on the whole African continent, along with all lovers of human freedom, to maintain their

resolve and vigilance until the goals of justice, racial equality, and democracy, based on one-man-one-vote, were finally achieved in South Africa."

To this end, the OAU ad-hoc committee on Southern African politics will meet soon in Abuja to consider the most appropriate way to support the struggle in the present circumstances.

Despite President Bush's lifting of the economic sanctions against South Africa, and that country's return to the Olympic Games fold, the time-long struggle against apartheid continues with vim and verve and determination inside and outside South Africa, and around the world. It will go on until the demise of apartheid...

## Consumer affairs warns of new loan scam moving across country

NEWARK — Attorney General Robert J. Del Tufo and Acting Consumer Affairs Director Jan C. Gavy warned New Jerseyans to be on the watch for questionable loan offers being made by companies calling themselves financial loan services firms.

Consumers in other states are being led to believe that they can obtain immediate, low interest loans by paying an advance fee ranging from \$250 to \$350. Once the fee is paid, the consumers never receive their loan and cannot get a refund of the advance fee. A recent flood of inquiries and several complaints from out-of-state consumers about New Jersey firms alerted the division to the problem and prompted the division to investigate.

"While our investigation is focusing on complaints from out-of-state consumers, our goal is to alert New Jersey citizens to this new scam before it becomes a major problem in our state. New financial consumers should be very skeptical of similar easy-to-get loans being offered by out-of-state firms," said Gavy.

According to Gavy, consumers in other states are responding to classified ads in their local newspapers advertising loans ranging from \$2,500 to \$10,000. The consumers call an 800 number in New Jersey. A company representative often asks for the consumer's social security number, address and financial history and then calls back within a few minutes to advise the consumer that he or she has been pre-approved or guaranteed.

They then ask the consumer to send \$250 to \$350 in advance to secure the loan. Thirty-five out-of-state consumers have complained that they sent the money and never received the loan or a refund from the New Jersey company, said Gavy.

These types of scams are particularly heinous because they target those who are most in need and can least afford to lose their money. The unemployed, senior citizens, those with low-income and those who have declared bankruptcy," said Attorney Del Tufo.

The division's investigation began in June, after the division noticed a sharp increase in the number of inquiries about these loan offers from out-of-state consumers. Since then, the division's Office of Consumer Protection has received an average of 15 calls per day from out-of-state residents asking about New Jersey firms advertising loans. The state's investigation is focusing on possible violations of the Consumer Fraud Act which prohibits fraud, misrepresentation or the promise in the sale of services or products in New Jersey.

Companies located in one state appear to be targeting consumers in another state in order to circumvent local registration and licensing requirements in the home state. Gavy urged consumers to exercise extreme caution before responding to solicitations for easy loans, and especially before sending money in advance.

1. Find out more about the loan

company. Call the Division of Consumer Affairs Action Line at 201-648-3295 to find out if there have been any complaints against the company. Also call the consumer affairs of, and Better Business Bureau in the city and state where the company is located. But remember, the fact that there are no complaints filed does not guarantee there will be no problems.

2. Be very skeptical about any company that immediately guarantees you a loan or claims you have been pre-approved for a loan. Legitimate lending institutions carefully screen loan applicants before approving loans. This process usually takes more than just an hour or two. Few legitimate lending institutions will take the information over the phone.

3. Demand detailed information about the loan, especially the repayment terms, in writing. Make sure you understand the terms thoroughly before you commit.

4. Do not pay any money in advance of receiving a loan until you have carefully reviewed the written information. Does the information tell you what happens to your advance payment if you do not receive the loan?

5. Do not be pressured into making an immediate decision. The more high-pressure and hard-sell tactics are used, the more skeptical you should become.

New Jersey consumers who have been victims of out-of-state consumer offering loans should notify the Office of Consumer Protection, 201-648-3622.

## Newark Emergency Services for Families helped 3,622 people—and Kim

NEWARK—During the past year Newark Emergency Services for Families (NESF) helped over 25,000 clients. They needed food, clothing, shelter, and counseling as well as medical, utilities, rental, and other assistance. Over 10,000 of them were families; 3,623 were individuals — including Kim.

Most of us look at these numbers as just statistics. But there is a story behind each number and a story behind each person. The 2,623rd story here is an unusual one: It is about the unselfish behavior of young woman and the staggering burden she took upon herself.

It is a story of amazing grace, or perhaps amazing loyalty or kindness. Any way you slice it, this is a glowing example of how some people find the strength of character to go against the odds.

One morning last spring a client showed up at NESF. "Kim" was 28, responsible, and stable. Although she worked at a low-income, non-skilled job, she lived with her mother and was comfortable.

Kim had a cousin with 4 children, 3 girls and a boy ages 8 to 13. The problem was, the cousin found Kim's cousin unfit to raise the children and empowered the State Division of Youth and Family Services to place them in foster care. The children were devastated; no family member would take them in.

That is when Kim stepped forward. Not wanting to see the family broken up, she volunteered to make a home for the children. Although she was taking on an awesome responsibility, she felt family was more important than her own easy lifestyle.

Kim ran into trouble right away. She went out and found an apartment, but one big enough for 5 people rented for all but \$200 of her monthly paycheck. She needed a month's rent, deposit, and security. She needed furniture — especially beds for children — and a refrigerator.

NESF pitched in with rental assistance, located a refrigerator, with a promise of furniture when available.

At last report Kim was hanging on. But she is a fighter and she will find a way. That is how it is when you are a giant — when you are big enough to consider yourself to years of poverty so four young children can have a better life.

Are you, or perhaps a family member or friend in a crisis? Are you hunting for clothes, food, or shelter? Perhaps you are a crime victim who needs assistance. Perhaps you need to talk to someone who knows the system, who can locate the resources you need. Division of Youth and Family Services will refer you there. If so, do not fight it alone. We can help. Call Newark Emergency Services for Families' emergency hotline at 824-0013.

## 'New Beginning' for UCC

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college experience is available to every member of society," he said.

Displaying several blueprints, Dr. Brown explained that the 1.57 acres of land encompassing two buildings will include 13 classrooms, new electronic and mechanical systems, two computer laboratories, an office systems technology laboratory, an academic learning center, a student lounge and reading room, food services, faculty and administrative offices, and an expanded library when completed in August 1992.

The college will offer Associate Degree programs in liberal arts, business, accounting/data processing, business management, and office systems technology as well as a certificate program in English as a second language through its Institute for Intensive English and a diploma program in practical nursing.

Also, a large number of non-credit courses will be offered. While the renovations are taking place, UCC will be housed at Plainfield High School where classes in liberal arts, business, and the Institute for Intensive English will be offered.

"We will be at Plainfield High

School and we will still be in Plainfield," Dr. Brown said. "Union County College is your community college and we're here for you and you will see it today."

UCC's Plainfield unit began with only a small offering of classes at a Front Street facility in 1970. Leaving the city for 10 years in 1976, it returned in 1986 to its present locale, the former home of the Courier-News.

The project is being seen as a major step towards solidifying the college's commitment to an inner city. Initially focusing on the suburban localities of Cranford and

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## CITY LIFE

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

**NEWARK**—Newark Student Theatre Summer Project sponsored by the New Jersey Open Institute will perform excerpts from "Hill Side Story," "Hill Melebrary," "Odyssey," "Lies Melebrary," and others at Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, 243 Woodside Ave., at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (201) 746-4266.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

**NEWARK**—Newark Symphony Hall presents "Jazz Thunder" with the J. Cook Quartet. Admission \$5 which includes light buffet. For more information, call (201) 643-8009 or (201) 643-4550.

**TRENTON**—The Players Company presents "Stories About The Old Days" at the 181 Hill Theatre at Front and Montgomery Streets thru August 25. For more information, call (609) 396-4482.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

**ENGLEWOOD**—Network with the Amadi Group presents "The 1200 Club" at 1200 p.m. at the Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel. Admission \$12, \$15 all day. For more information, call (201) 373-2260, 307-0801 or 356-1287.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

**NEWARK**—Newark Symphony Hall presents "Jazz Thunder" with the Arthur Rhyth & Gro. Admission \$5 which includes light buffet. For more information, call (201) 643-8009 or (201) 643-4550.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

**NEWARK**—WBOC Plaza 89 and the City of Newark, Division of Recreation presents "Jazz in Washington Park" with Jimmy Gonsales & His Fort Apache Band. For more information, call (201) 626-6890 or (201) 735-6454.

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## Robert Cray: singing from the soul, singing to the world

by Judith L. Guest

When *The Forecast Calls For Rain*, rhythm and blues singer, Robert Cray has a way of turning things sunny-side up.

You can't go wrong with this prodigious. Cray has been a deserving recipient of at least two Grammy Awards, and has had several albums that have gone Platinum or Gold. Cray's latest album bearing the Polygram label is titled, *Midnight Stray*. The album features The Memphis Horns and of course the rich sound of The Robert Cray Band who he has been performing with since 1974.

This Georgia native's unique style of singing the Blues is a far cry from misery. No matter how many times we've been down on our luck or too *Bull-Headed* to heed the pitfalls of a romance, Cray successfully shoos us to the *Dos and Don'ts* in an acceptable way to digest.

Cray may wall about the Consequences of infidelity, but there is no doubt that his faithfulness is devoted to his numerous guitars.

If you have a discriminate taste for some soulful sounds, then Robert Cray is the one to lend your ears to. Cray is an unyielding energy source on stage. Concert goers of all ages will find it virtually impossible not to fall slave to his rhythm. Cray's combinations have been influenced by James Brown, Jimi Hendrix, Howlin' Wolf, and other countless Greats.

Cray appeared in Chuck Berry's Tribute Film "Hail, Hall Rock N' Roll" and was a warm welcome guest in Tina Turner's international television special, "Break Every Rule."

Robert Cray is a genuine crowd pleaser who has whirl-

winded just about every Continent. However, all is not necessarily calm on the home front; especially when there's a possibility of Blacks abandoning the Blues. Today's black listeners are far and few between, and make up an extremely small percentage of the audiences.

According to an article in Essence magazine, Cray concludes: "Black people know the music is still here. It just seems everybody is trying to avoid it. They're just denying the Blues

ever existed because they remind people of the bad times and sad times."

Relax and engulf yourself in Cray's down to earth and soothing sound of intense emotion.

The Blues has intrigued many for decades and it's about time we all reacquaint ourselves with its realities and reclaim part of our culture.

Robert Cray is appearing at the Garden States Art Center this weekend.



Robert Cray

## NAACP meets officials

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both the board of education and Superintendent Frank Napier Jr. against the ropes with charges of financial and administrative mismanagement during the same period.

Immediately after an expected vote, on August 7, of approval by the State Board of Education for a state-operated district, Superintendent Napier and all top administrators will lose their positions; the incumbent school board will be dismantled. But administrators/educators with tenure in the system could choose to remain in principals or teachers capacities. Persi assured those parents of schoolchildren there would be no immediate effect on building principals and classroom teachers at the start of the school year.

A few in the audience expressed concerns about an appointed advisory board of 15, without any vested authority, that would replace the currently elected board of education. "Are members on the advisory board going to be people with children in public schools, not in private schools?" asked Quanita Alexander. An ap-

parent absence of "merit" in a largely state-appointed advisory board was a concern of Sam Mack, first Vice-President of the local of NAACP.

To which Persi responded that such an advisory board need not be ineffective and a relationship of "mutual trust" with a new district superintendent is achievable. "A superintendent who will be visible," Persi says, "in the district schools, to classroom teachers, students and parents."

As the state's high-ranking official spoke, visibly displayed on an easel was the state Department of Education mission's statement that boldly reads: "To ensure that each child, parent, district staff and community member receives the knowledge and skills essential for his or her development as healthy, productive human beings."

At one point during a question and answer period, parent Ricky Gist remarked that some in Paterson still suspect the imminent takeover was motivated by career opportunism and racism.

"Someone has to kick the dog, and if the dog has my name written on it...," Persi replied.

## As I See It...

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school to roaming the streets... These parents also have no objections to homework. They may be unable to help with homework. They may be unable to help with homework because curricula has changed drastically in the last decade, but monitoring is still done the old fashioned way. You look and you ask questions and parents are especially good in this area.

Hopefully John Ellis will be just as vigilant and determined for kids to get a good educational foundation in other systems throughout the state that bear watching and when he finds a system teetering on the brink of failure, he will step in as forthrightly as he has done in Paterson.

The good news is that Edna Greenleaf, Newark health advocate and member of UMDNJ's Board of Concerned Citizens, is recuperating at home after a long hospital stay.

If things have been quiet in Newark city hall for a week, it's because Mayor Sharpe James and his Civic Assn. are sponsoring their annual "Vacation-with-the-Mayor" and many city hallers are part of the group vacationing in the Bahamas.

Missing from the group this time around was Leroy and Dorcas Motz who decided to celebrate their second wedding anniversary at a party to be in their new University Heights condo. Way to go.

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Elizabeth Flood, a PSE&G employee, exemplifies the spirit of the company's commitment to volunteerism. This spring President George Bush presented her with the 1991 Volunteer Action Award. This is the nation's top award for

volunteerism. Ms. Flood has assisted hundreds of neighbors' children through the recreation center she established at The Garden Spire housing complex in Newark.

She and her family serve dinner each year to more than 500 homeless. She lectures in schools, churches and libraries on the African-American self-help tradition of working together to make life better.

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"The state has to pick up the slack," Green said. "It's time to move in the right direction and the urban areas can be very important to Union County and the state of New Jersey. We're ready to move ahead and make Plainfield something to be proud of."

"This is a wonderful event," Mrs. Gladden stated. "The donors never expected this day or event."

She thanked members of her committee, residents, as well as local and school officials for

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# CITY BUSINESS

## The Black Jews

Business Exchange...

by William Reed

MIAMI, FL (NNPA)—The Caribbean countries of Cuba and Jamaica celebrated the triumphant visit of former jailed black leader, Nelson Mandela, less than a hundred miles up the coast another leader in the international black community continued to languish in jail in Miami without any fanfare. While Winnie Mandela, convicted of a felony crime under the South African justice system, stood at the side of Mandela all during his visit near these shores, a black of similar stature who has been convicted of no crime, other than being racially and religiously different, is being denied the ability to post bond and be free to continue his faith and business practices under the American system.

Yahweh Ben Yahweh would probably not like being called a "Jew," instead he would prefer the label of Hebrew Israelite. But, he has exhibited many of the stereotypes normally associated with those of Jews. Yahweh Ben Yahweh came to Miami 12-years-ago with little more than the clothes on his back and a new message of hope for the Black

Man. In typical Jewish, self-help fashion, Yahweh Ben Yahweh, and his followers, in less than 10-years amassed properties and business holdings in Miami and across the nation, totaling almost a quarter of a billion dollars. In unity and enterprise, Yahweh Ben Yahweh and the Nation of Yahweh have acted like many successful Jews have, done business like so many of them have done around the world. In bonding and bondage, they cite historical linkages back to the original land of Israel.

An excellent model in lifting up by one's own bootstraps for the African-American community to follow, the Black Jews of Yahweh did not ask the government "to give them nothing," their motto was, "open up the door and we'll get it ourselves." And in the 1980's they did, in fact, go and get it themselves. They got hotels, motels, apartment buildings, supermarkets, furniture, and auto repair shops to service their community, and even obtained a beachfront resort hotel on famed Miami Beach.

Many inside and out of the scene think that it was the move to fashionable Miami Beach that

was the Yahweh's downfall. According to reports, it was not long after the purchase of the Miami Beach site that the government began to rain on Yahweh Ben Yahweh's parade. In spite of being honored for economic works by the venerable National Business League and receiving the Whitney M. Young Award for Economic Development from the Miami Urban League, last November the government slapped Yahweh Ben Yahweh and 16 of his followers in jail for racketeering, and conspiracy to commit murder, charges that go back almost 5 years.

Although the charges look suspect on the surface, Yahweh Ben Yahweh may be guilty. But, the question before that which should cause all Americans alarm is, "Why have they held the man and his group in jail for over 9 months with no possibility of bail?" What most black Americans consider a "horrid" system of justice in South Africa, has allowed Winnie Mandela to travel the world since her conviction, while she awaits new hearings and sentencing. But what we assume to be a better system of justice for blacks here in America

will not allow Yahweh Ben Yahweh rights to bail and freedom while he awaits trial.

Yahweh Ben Yahweh has exhibited a trust in the traditions of America and its free-enterprise system. He took a group of African Americans with little hope and taught them discipline, skills and the American Dream.

His dream of legal and economic justice has turned into a nightmare similar to that of Mr. Mandela for 25 years. Black Americans of conscience should take note of this Black Jew, his successes within the system, and take steps to assure that he gets his just dues under just processes of the system.

## Stand Up

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ate Black adults beyond our families who told us that we were valued and important. More church mentoring programs, Big Sister and Big Brother programs can do so today. They mean the difference between success and failure for child. So take the time to help one child.

The odds against personal or professional success are stacked mightily against thousands of Black children whose minds and talents our country desperately needs. We cannot afford to lose any child who may have the potential to become the next Colin Powell or Thurgood Marshall or John Singleton.

"Boyz N The Hood" is a powerful portrayal of the underclass war at home that is destroying and wasting our young. Parents should take their teenagers to this movie and discuss its messages—that drugs, crime and violence lead nowhere.

"Boyz N The Hood" is one more testament for them. We cannot wait for the Black community and nation to recognize that Black children and families face the worst crisis since slavery.

## 'New Beginning' for UCC

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making the day a reality.

"We had a dream — for many in the Scholars Program they helped us to keep this dream alive. For that reason, we knew we were going to have this campus," she said.

The Scholars Program consists of individuals who wish to attend UCC, go to school during the day, live in Plainfield, and have a C average or better. They in turn solicit private donations in order to fund their educations.

Mrs. Gladden singled out the program and its participants including Vanessa Morris, a business major and successful scholar. Mrs. Morris, who has two

children, said she is proud to be a part of the program and is also happy about the Plainfield campus' "New Beginning."

"It's accessible to everyone, affordable, and has a positive climate for learning," she said.

She said she saw her combined roles as mother and student a challenge but a very fulfilling one.

"I can provide a positive role model for my children as they see me in school while they're also in school," she said.

With two more semesters to go before her associate degree, she said she is looking forward to a bright future because of her education at UCC.

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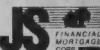
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Bidders are required to comply with P.L. 1975, c. 127.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public that the New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJ Transit) has reviewed its anticipated government funded contracting activity for fiscal year 1992 and established the following Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program goal. The goal is based upon projected contracting and leasing opportunities, availability of eligible DBEs and WBEs and past contracting and leasing record.

**GOAL**  
Twenty-one percent (21%) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation which includes women owned firms.

Your comments on this goal are encouraged and will be used for information purposes only. The public has thirty (30) days to inspect a description of our rationale for setting the above goal. Methodology used to determine the level of DBE participation is available for public inspection during normal working hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at NJ TRANSIT.

Small Disadvantaged Business Department, Market Street and McCarter Highway, P.O. Box 10009, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

The Urban Mass Transportation Administration and NJ TRANSIT will accept comments on the goal for forty-five (45) days from the date of this notice. Inquiries may be directed to NJ TRANSIT at the above address.

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All bidders must be authorized to do business in New Jersey. Any bidder which is a corporation not chartered under the Laws of the State of New Jersey must submit an affidavit certifying that said corporation is authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey.

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The building and the fire alarm equipment will be available for examination between the hours of 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All parties interested in examining the equipment must contact the office prior to going to the building.

All persons submitting a proposal will be required to submit a previous Participation Certificate (HUD form 2530), indicating their previous experience in comparable work. The selected contractor will be required to receive HUD 2530 clearance.

All persons submitting a proposal will be required to comply with all Equal Employment Opportunity requirements and pay not less than the prevailing wage rates as established by the U.S. Department of Labor.

The Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any informalities in the proposal of sixty (60) days subsequent to opening of the proposals without the consent of the Housing Authority of the Town of Secaucus.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS

WILLIAM F. SNYDER  
Executive Director

Date: August 7, 1991

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## Plainfield athlete wins bodybuilding championship

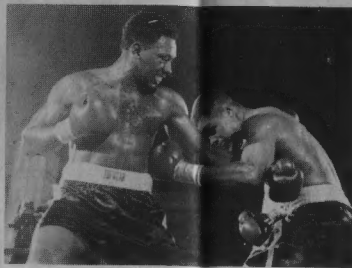
POINT PLEASANT — Robert Allen of Plainfield won the Gladiator Suits Muscle Beach Bodybuilding Championship held two weeks ago at Point Pleasant Borough High School before

1,000 spectators.

Allen, 42, competed in the class where he won the right to compete in the masters division finals. He was one of over 70 participants in the event.

Other highlights of the event included guest appearances by former Philadelphia Eagles Quarterback Ron Jaworski and guest pacer Sandy Ridell, the favorite to win bodybuilding's most prestigious title of Ms. Olympia later this year. Spectators were also treated to a fashion show by Gladiator Suits and a health and fitness exhibit.

The Gladiator Suits Muscle Beach Bodybuilding Championship was sanctioned by the National Physique Committee.

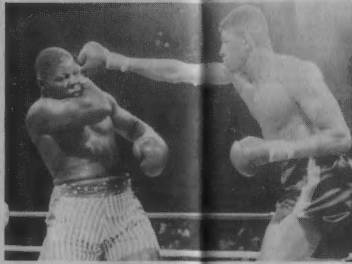


## It's fight time

(Clockwise from top left) Adam "G MAN" Garland (rt) of Piscataway, attacks body of Melvin Wynn of Georgia, with a hard left, slowing Wynn to a stop of the 3rd round for Garland's 19th win against one lost on August 2, at the Quality Inn in Newark.

William "BO" James (rt), a Newark firefighter, connects with a savage body shot and winning Junior Middleweight battle over Eric Holland of Philadelphia.

USBA Cruiserweight Champion, Alfred "ICEMAN" Cole (rt) of Newark, bounces a straight right hand off the head of Frankie Swindell of Tennessee at the Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City on July 25. Cole went on to win with an 11th round technical knockout to retain his title.



## Hoop game targets youth

NEWARK — South Ward Councilman Donald Bradley will sponsor the 2nd Annual Arthur "Rookie" Johnson Roundball Classic on Thursday, August 15, 1991 at Malcolm X. Shabazz High School.

Rookie Johnson, a sportscaster for Gateway Cable Television, relishes the opportunity to serve as a role model in Newark by giving something back to the City in which he was born and raised. Rookie states "I'm very grateful and appreciative of the support given to by Councilman Bradley's staff and Gateway Cable Television. Councilman Donald Bradley is the key figure responsible in bringing recreation back to the City of Newark, when others did not consider it a priority."

Councilman Bradley has fought long and hard for young people who need positive outlets for their energies. He said, "The deterrent against drugs, crime and violence that young people often engage in, because they do not have enough viable alternatives."

Councilman Bradley said activities such as the Arthur "Rookie" Johnson Roundball Classic puts our youth in the limelight and allows them to show-case their talents. Johnson added that his classic gives the inner-city youths the exposure and visibility they rightfully deserve.

## Vernon Jordan

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Chairman who also boasts of close personal ties to both Republican President Bush and Secretary of State James Baker, is considered a shoo-in for the post.

Jordan, a former president of the National Urban League who joined Akin Gump in 1981 at Strauss' invitation, has also been named to Akin Gump's two main governing committees, according to the Wall Street Journal.

Akin Gump also has offices in several cities in Texas. Its partnership average income annually is \$395,000.

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